

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Education  
Community Unit School District #7  
District Unit Office Annex  
510 West Elm Street  
Gillespie, Illinois 62033  
June 26, 2017**

The regular meeting of Community Unit District #7 School Board was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Hayes at the Unit Office Annex, 510 West Elm Street, Gillespie, IL 62033.

**ROLL CALL:** Bernot, absent; Dobrino, absent; Hayes, present; Schmidt, present;  
Tiburzi, present; Alepra, present; Carter, present

Superintendent Tieman and Principals Rosentreter, Turcol, and Owsley attended the meeting. Rick Fulton, Micki Romanus, Misty Fritz, Neil Balzraine, Tenley Bussmann, Tiffany Johnson, and Isabel Balzraine also attended the meeting.

Motion made by Carter, seconded by Alepra to approve the agenda as presented. Bernot, absent; Dobrino, absent; Hayes, yes; Schmidt, yes; Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes; Carter, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Schmidt, seconded by Carter for Roll Call Vote to Adjourn to Closed Meeting at 6:03 p.m. for the following:

- A. Discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the District, pursuant to 105 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)
- B. Discussion of probable or imminent litigation, pursuant to 105 ILCS (120/2(c)(1)
- C. Discussion of student disciplinary cases, pursuant to 105 ILCS 120/2(c)(9)
- D. Collective negotiation matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives pursuant to 105 ILCS 120/2 (c)(2).

Dobrino, absent; Hayes, yes; Schmidt, yes; Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes; Carter, yes; Bernot, absent. Motion carried.

Motion made by Tiburzi, seconded by Carter for Roll Call Vote to return to Open Session at 7:05 p.m. Hayes, yes; Schmidt, yes; Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes; Carter, yes; Bernot, absent; Dobrino, absent. Motion carried.

The Pledge of Allegiance was repeated.

**Action on Closed Session Matters**

Motion made by Carter, seconded by Schmidt to appoint all District Athletic Coaches for the 2017-2018 School Year as presented:

**Gillespie Middle School**

- Baseball Head Coach – Jeremy Smith
- Baseball Assistant Coach – Tim Wargo
- Cheer Coach – Gina Frensko
- Volunteer Cheer Coach – Kylie Frensko
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Basketball Coach – Stuart Ringer
- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Basketball Coach – Tim Wargo
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball Coach – Celia Jubelt
- Girls' Track Coach – Christina Blevins
- Boys' Track Coach – Casey Niehaus

- Scholar Bowl Coach – Kyle Lamore

**Gillespie High School**

- Volleyball Head Coach – Celia Jubelt
- Volleyball Assistant Coach – Tara Allen
- Freshmen Football Head Coach – Jack Burns
- Volunteer Football Coaches – Don Dobrino & Randy Redmon
- Boys’ Soccer Head Coach – Devon Schoen
- Girls’ Basketball Head Coach – Kevin Gray
- Girls’ Basketball Varsity Assistant Coach – Christina Blevins
- Boys’ Basketball Head Coach – Casey Sholtis
- Boys’ Basketball Varsity Assistant Coach – Matt Brawner
- Freshmen Boys’ Basketball Coach – Dan Edgerton
- Girls’ Track Head Coach – Jack Burns
- Boys’ Track Head Coach – Mike Bertagnolli
- Track Assistant Coach – Jeff Nehls
- Cheerleading Coach – Kenna (Moats) West
- Softball Head Coach – Michelle Smith
- Softball Assistant Coach – Joe Kelly
- Volunteer Softball Coach – Jim Matesa
- Baseball Head Coach – Jeremy Smith
- Baseball Assistant Coach – Tim Wargo
- Volunteer Baseball Coaches – Adam Tallman & Dan Smith

Schmidt, yes; Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes; Carter, yes; Bernot, absent; Dobrino, absent; Hayes, yes.  
Motion carried.

Motion made by Carter, seconded by Alepra to appoint Matt Brown as a Volunteer High School Football Coach for the 2017-2018 School Year. Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes; Carter, yes; Bernot, absent; Dobrino, absent; Hayes, yes; Schmidt, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alepra, seconded by Tiburzi to modify the expulsion of an Identified High School Student to re-enroll at Gillespie High School. Alepra, yes; Carter, yes; Bernot, absent; Dobrino, absent; Hayes, yes; Schmidt, yes; Tiburzi, yes. Motion carried.

**Consent Agenda**

Motion made by Alepra, seconded by Schmidt to approve the minutes of the regular meeting and the closed session minutes dated May 22, 2017, and the closed session minutes dated June 6, 2017, and June 14, 2017, and the regular session minutes of the Building & Grounds Committee Meeting dated June 12, 2017. Carter, yes; Bernot, absent; Dobrino, absent; Hayes, yes; Schmidt, yes; Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alepra, seconded by Tiburzi to approve payment of the June 2017 bills as follows:

Education Fund	\$72,185.25
Building Fund	8,436.60
Transportation Fund	<u>5,683.32</u>
Grand Total of all Funds	\$86,305.17

Bernot, absent; Dobrino, absent; Hayes, yes; Schmidt, yes; Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes; Carter, yes.  
Motion carried.

## **Freedom of Information Requests**

Request was received 5/19/17 from Helper Bloom LLC regarding asbestos related documents. The District asked for an extension until June 12, 2017 to meet the request.

### **Recognition of the Public**

No one from the public addressed the Board.

### **Superintendent's Report**

District Focus centered on students with perfect attendance through their elementary, middle, and high school career. Tenley Bussmann and Isabel Balzraine were honored and presented with a certificate for perfect attendance for their elementary school career (K-5). Not present at the meeting was Allison Bires who was honored and presented with a certificate for perfect attendance for her high school career (9-12).

No representative from the Union was present to give a report.

Superintendent Tieman gave the Elementary, Middle, and High School report for the building principals as there is not much to report during the summer when school is out. Speaking for the principals, Superintendent Tieman thanked the custodians for their great effort they are doing to get the buildings ready for next school year, and thanked the secretaries for also getting everything ready for next school year.

Superintendent Tieman reported that the Board is looking into a fingerprint/scan ID system for the lunch program. Cost is \$2500 for a set of 2 which is needed as there are 2 lines being serviced in both cafeterias. The cost would be taken from the food budget. Reason for this consideration is time efficiency not having to sort and distribute cards daily, as well as alleviating problems with lost and damaged cards needing to be replaced. Elementary services 600 students in 90 minutes and middle school services 310 students in 15-20 minutes. The district would allow waivers from parents who want their child to opt out of this program if the program is implemented.

Superintendent Tieman read a "Letter of Support of Senate Bill 1":

"For several years, as superintendents and educators, we've worked to fix the broken school funding formula that has devastated our schools and communities. We have spent countless hours talking to our partners and legislators about the solution to an adequate and fair funding system. SB1 is that solution and it will benefit every single district in Illinois.

Here are the facts. There is only one school funding bill poised to become law—Senate Bill 1. There is only one official analysis of SB1—and it's conducted by the Illinois State Board of Education. No other bills have been passed out of both chambers. If ISBE has run additional analyses on Senate Bill 1, the public is unaware of it at this time.

We must not talk in theoretical, hypotheticals or financial modeling of bills that have not passed both chambers and awaiting the Governor's signature. We must talk about the facts within the bill in front of us: SB1. Under this bill, funding is distributed equitably, no districts lose money, and all districts are treated the same. ISBE's analysis also tells us our school districts gain \$3,842,660 and that these funds will be distributed based on the unique needs of all students in Illinois.

More facts: Our districts need investment. We've cut and cut long enough—we need an investment from the state and we need it now. We cannot cut our way out of this problem. We have been and are still committed to no red

numbers. Senate Bill 1 is based on new money. No students should lose money. "No red numbers" means "no red numbers" and "all students" means "all students".

It's time for our elected leaders to base their votes on the district they represent!"

Superintendent Tieman recognized the following athletes and their accomplishments:

- Addison Bryant was named to the Illinois State Journal Register All Area Softball Team
- Addison Bryant was named to the 2017 Class 2A Illinois Coaches Association's All-State First Team
- Mackenzie Kasarda was named to the 2017 Class 2A Illinois Coaches Association's All-State Second Team
- Rylee Sarti and Rylee Jarman were named to the 2017 Class 2A Illinois Coaches Association's All-State Third Team
- Tate Wargo was named to the All State Baseball Team
- Nick Price was named Alton Telegraph Basketball Player of the Year

Member Bernot arrived at the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

President Hayes and Superintendent Tieman reported on the Building & Grounds Committee Meeting held June 12, 2017. Current proposed projects are to blacktop the area behind the middle school gym including a concrete pad for the trash containers, blacktop the area behind the high school gym, and rock and chip the bus garage area. Plans are being made to change the carpet in the middle/high school library next summer. Also, plans are being made with Principal Rosentreter and the school architect for the proposed middle school science lab.

### **Old Business**

There were no Old Business agenda items.

### **New Business**

Motion made by Alepra, seconded by Bernot to adopt the Resolution Ascertainning Prevailing Wage Rate as presented. Dobrino, absent; Hayes, yes; Schmidt, yes; Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes; Carter, yes; Bernot, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Carter, seconded by Tiburzi to award the Food Product Contract to Kohls Wholesale for the 2017-2018 School Year as presented. Hayes, yes; Schmidt, yes; Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes; Carter, yes; Bernot, yes; Dobrino, absent. Motion carried.

Motion made by Schmidt, seconded by Carter to accept the offer of Blue-Cross Blue Shield Health Insurance Policy as presented. Schmidt, yes; Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes; Carter, yes; Bernot, yes; Dobrino, absent; Hayes, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Tiburzi, seconded by Hayes to approve Student Fees for 2017-2018 School Year as presented. Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes; Carter, yes; Bernot, yes; Dobrino, absent; Hayes, yes; Schmidt, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Bernot, seconded by Tiburzi to approve the Title I School Wide Plan as presented. Alepra, yes; Carter, yes; Bernot, yes; Dobrino, absent; Hayes, yes; Schmidt, yes; Tiburzi, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alepra, seconded by Hayes to approve Ben-Gil Elementary, Gillespie Middle School, and Gillespie High School Handbooks as presented. Carter, yes; Bernot, yes; Dobrino, absent; Hayes, yes; Schmidt, yes; Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes. Motion carried.

Discussion of bids to asphalt the area behind the high school gym, bids to asphalt the area behind the middle school gym including a concrete pad for the trash containers, and bids to rock and chip the bus garage area followed.


Motion made by Carter, seconded by Tiburzi to approve rock and chipping of the bus garage lot at a cost of \$7448.00. Carter, yes; Bernot, yes; Dobrino, absent; Hayes, yes; Schmidt, yes; Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Bernot, seconded by Carter to approve asphaltting the area behind the middle school gym at a cost of \$17,985.00. Bernot, yes; Dobrino, absent; Hayes, yes; Schmidt, no; Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes; Carter, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Bernot, seconded by Alepra to approve asphaltting the area behind the high school gym at a cost of \$15,998.00. Dobrino, absent; Hayes, yes; Schmidt, no; Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes; Carter, yes; Bernot, yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Carter, seconded by Alepra to approve the Transportation Intergovernmental Agreement with Jersey Community Unit School District #100 as presented. Hayes, yes; Schmidt, yes; Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes; Carter, yes; Bernot, yes; Dobrino, absent. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alepra, seconded by Tiburzi to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 p.m. Schmidt, yes; Tiburzi, yes; Alepra, yes; Carter, yes; Bernot, yes; Dobrino, absent; Hayes, yes. Motion carried.

  
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Mark Hayes, President

  
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William Carter Jr., Secretary